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(SBU) Czech MFA Department of Human Rights and Transition Policy officer, Olga Hajeflerova, affirmed that the GOCR shares USG concerns that pressure must remain on the Burmese regime for full access to affected areas and faster processing of travel permits. Hajeflerova noted that during internal EU discussions, the Czechs have continued to emphasize with their EU counterparts the importance of reiterating this message to the regime. As a final note, Hajeflerova flagged Czech concerns about environmental conditions along Burma's western border with India where flourishing bamboo growth due to the floods could have deleterious effects on fragile rice crops.
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